

May 6, 2014 Minutes
Study Session Joint City Council /
★ Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

At 5:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor/Chairman: SIEGEL
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: WYNNE
Council/Board Members: GORDON, NEAL, RODARMEL
*Council/Board Member Rodarmel arrived during the demonstration.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STUDY SESSION – Section SS

SS-1 Demonstration of Lemoore Police Department Canine “Ares” (Smith)

Police Chief Smith introduced the two year old Belgian Malinois “Ares” as the departments newest K9. K9 Handler Corporal Kendall and “Ares” provided a bite suit demonstration in front lawn of the Council Chamber as well as a narcotics sweep demonstration in Council Chamber.

PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Conference with Labor Negotiator, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**
Agency Negotiator: Susan Wells
Employee Organization: General Association of Service Employees

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:15 p.m. Council adjourned to the Regular Meeting.

May 6, 2014 Minutes
Regular Joint City Council /
★ Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

The Girls Scouts from Troop 2583 led the Pledge of Allegiance in order to earn their inside government badge.

ROLL CALL: Mayor/Chairman: SIEGEL
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: WYNNE
Council/Board Members: GORDON, NEAL, RODARMEL

ANNOUNCEMENT from Closed Session

There was no announcement.

CEREMONIAL / PRESENTATIONS – Section 1

1-1 Employee of the Quarter – 4th Quarter of 2013

Maintenance employee Aaron Oliver was named Employee of the 4th Quarter 2013.

1-2 Employee of the Quarter – 1st Quarter of 2014

Police Sergeant Margarita Ochoa was named Employee of the 1st Quarter 2014.

1-3 Retirement of Lemoore Police Department Canine “Kimo”

Lemoore Police Department Canine “Kimo” was retired after eight years of service. Canine Handler Mike Kendall purchased “Kimo” from the City in order for him to become a family pet.

Action to purchase “Kimo” was previously authorized by the City Manager in order to release liability from the City. As action already taken, ceremonial presentation only.

1-4 National Public Works Week – May 18-24, 2014

Mayor Siegel read the proclamation to declare May 18-24th National Public Works Week and presented it to David Wlaschin, Public Works/Planning Director.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Connie Wlaschin questioned the cost of Lemoore Police Department referring calls to the sheriff's department, the cost of defending the city again lawsuits against the Mayor and a Council Member as well as the golf course status once the RFP is received May 30th.

Jane Dart questioned who is paying for the golf course ad in the Lemoore Times. City Manager Laws stated the City is not paying for the ad. Ms. Dart also spoke of the recall story in the Hanford Sentinel.

Items denoted with a ★ are Redevelopment Successor Agency items and will be acted upon by the Redevelopment Successor Agency Board. Agendas for all City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency meetings are posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting at the City Hall, 119 Fox St., Written communications from the public for the agenda must be received by Administrative Services no less than seven (7) days prior to the meeting date. The City of Lemoore complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA of 1990). The Council Chambers is accessible to the physically disabled. If you need special assistance, please call (559) 924-6705, at least 4 days prior to the meeting.

All items listed under Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. For discussion of any Consent Item, it will be made a part of the Regular Agenda at the request of any member of the City Council or any person in the audience.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 2

Council Member Rodarmel requested Item 2-1 be pulled from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

Council Member Gordon requested Item 2-9 be pulled from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

- 2-1 Approval – Minutes – Regular Meeting – April 1, 2014
- 2-2 Approval – Warrant Register 13-14 – April 11, 2014
- 2-3 Approval – Warrant Register 13-14 – May 2, 2014
- 2-4 Approval – Attorney’s Fees Hourly Rate Increase effective July 1, 2014
- 2-5 Approval – Authorization to Bid – Overlay/Limited Reconstruction of Bush Street from Lemoore Avenue to 19th Avenue
- 2-6 Approval – Rejection of Bids for Lemoore 2014 Street Overlay Project
- 2-7 Approval – Certificate of Acceptance – Quit Claim Deed for Property Purchased for Right of Way Dedication – Portion of 023-430-009
- 2-8 Approval – CIP Budget Amendment – Replace Main Water Line Pipes at Cinnamon Municipal Complex (CMC)
- 2-9 Approval – Notice of Rejection – Ed Martin
- ★ 2-10 Approval – Warrant Register 13-14 – Successor Agency Pursuant to Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule – April 11, 2014
- ★ 2-11 Approval – Warrant Register 13-14 – Successor Agency Pursuant to Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule – May 2, 2014
- 2-12 Approval – Bid Award – 2014 Slurry Seal Project
- 2-13 Approval – Bid Award – 2014 Reclamite Project
- 2-14 Approval – Warrant Register – Chevron Project – 5-2-14

Motion by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Wynne to approve the Consent Calendar as presented excluding Item 2-1 and Item 2-9.

Ayes: Gordon, Wynne, Neal, Rodarmel, Siegel

- 2-1 Approval – Minutes – Regular Meeting – April 1, 2014

Motion by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Wynne to approve Item 2-1 of the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Gordon, Wynne, Neal, Siegel
Abstain: Rodarmel

2-9 Approval – Notice of Rejection – Ed Martin

Motion by Council Member Wynne, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel to approve Item 2-9 of the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Wynne, Rodarmel, Siegel

Abstain: Neal, Gordon

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 3

There were no Public Hearings.

NEW BUSINESS – Section 4

4-1 Report and Recommendation – Adoption Amending Chapter 7 of Title 7 of City Municipal Code Entitled Water Conservation – Urgency Ordinance 2014-01

Public Works / Planning Director Wlaschin presented the report. Ordinance 2014-01 adds a new Article E to Chapter 7 of Title 7 of the current Water Conservation Ordinance. As this is an “Urgency Ordinance” it does not require public notice and takes effect immediately upon adoption.

The following change needs to be made to section 7-7E-10 (b) to read “....and third section would be the area south of Cinnamon Drive to the west city limit line.”

An Urgency Ordinance requires a 4/5 vote in order to pass.

Motion by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Wynne to adopt Ordinance 2014-01 enacting a tiered Water Conservation Program and authorize budget adjustment up to \$4,000 for publication and enforcement requirements with the amendment to section 7-7E-10 (b) to read “....and third section would be the area south of Cinnamon Drive to the west city limit line.”

Ayes: Gordon, Wynne, Neal, Rodarmel, Siegel

4-2 Report and Recommendation – Home Energy Renovation Opportunity (HERO) – Resolution 2014-10

City Manager Laws presented the report. The California HERO Program would be available to property owners within the City of Lemoore to finance renewable energy, energy water efficiency improvements and electric vehicle charging infrastructure on their property. Property owners who wish to participate agree to repay the money through the voluntary contractual assessment collected together with their property taxes. A homeowner must have at least 10% equity in their home in order to qualify.

All California HERO Program and assessment administration, bond issuance and bond administration functions are handled by California HERO. Little, if any, City staff time is needed to participate in the California HERO Program.

Jeff Shaw of Shaw’s Air Conditioning and Heating explained the HERO program as he recently attended a training program.

Mark Rodger with Brand New America representing the HERO Program explained why the City is required to adopt a Resolution. The Resolution is required in order to allow the cost to be put on the tax roll and in order to eliminate the risk to the City.

Tom Reed asked what cost would the City have and who pays contractors. The HERO program pays the contractors and they receive reimbursement through the tax roll.

Motion by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Wynne to adopt Resolution 2014-10 authorizing the City's participation in the California HERO Program, which will enable property owners to finance permanently fixed renewable energy, energy and water improvements and electric vehicle charging infrastructure on their properties.

Ayes: Rodarmel, Wynne, Gordon, Neal, Siegel

4-3 Report and Recommendation – Lemoore Police Department Mobile Data Terminals

Police Chief Smith presented the report requesting the authorization to purchase 10 new mobile data terminals (MDT's), 20 mounting solutions along with installation as the current MDT's have been in-service for five to eight years.

Corporal Mark Pescatore was available to answer any technical questions. Corporal Pesctaoere was on the committee established to demo units and determine best unit available. He stated these are the best option of equipment tested

Motion by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Wynne to authorize a one-time increase in the 2013-2014 budget for the Police Department Equipment (Acct # 4825) of \$60,412.46. The budget adjustment is to increase revenue in General Fund for AB 109 funds in the amount of \$44,209.23 (Acct # 3796) and a transfer of \$16,203.23 from the account 0012279 into (Account # 3796).

Ayes: Rodarmel, Wynne, Gordon, Neal, Siegel

4-4 Report and Recommendation – Budget Review Committee for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

City Manager Laws presented the report requesting an option for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget Review Committee. Options of reassigning Mayor Siegel, appointing a new member of the Council, not participating in the budget process or appointing two members to the Budget Review Committee.

Motion by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel to appoint to the Budget Review Committee City Manager Laws, Finance Director Silva, Council Member Wynne and Mayor Siegel.

Ayes: Gordon, Rodarmel, Neal, Wynne, Siegel

4-5 Report and Recommendation – Planning Update

Project Manager Holwell presented the report which indicated the cost to perform planning services is well under budget. She also answered questions about the planning applications for January 1-April 19, 2014.

Council requested the continuance of the quarterly updates.

No action required by Council. Informational purposes only.

DEPARTMENT AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS – Section 5

5-1 Department Reports

Police Chief Smith invited the Council to the Kings County Peace Officers Memorial at 3:15pm on May 15th at the Kings County Government Center in Hanford.

Public Works/Planning Director Wlaschin provided a status update on the solar project. Wells number 7, 13 and 11 have been completed and waiting for PG&E transfer to energize panels. Wells 4 and 6, Well Field behind Hickey Park, rays are being completed and built with tracking system but still some wiring to finish. Well 9 and Waste Water treatment plant, posts are being driven in for rays to be set on and also on tracking system. Site 12 off of Cedar Lane, fencing is up and ready to set posts. Well 10 has grading to be done but CMC parking lot grading will be done first.

CMC parking lot in progress. All standards have been raised and base rock being brought in. Possibly paved out by the end of the week. Demo on access road to back parking lot will be done once front section of parking paved so that staff and patrons can park in new lot. Plan on being done with everything by end of June.

Also, Lemoore residents were offered a coupon for free dumping in April. There were 308 vehicles with 118 tons of garbage/green waste/cnd material. There was a cost of \$8,500 to the city.

5-2 City Manager Reports

Joe Simonson rented a crack filling machine and should start seeing improvements in the streets.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS – Section 6

6-1 City Council Reports

Council Member Neal reported that kids walking to school are walking through Heritage Park and passing by the pond. He is concerned that a child could get hurt and inquiring if the city could place a fence around the pond. Also, the Frisbee golf area has graffiti and high weeds.

Council Member Rodarmel said something about something. Also, Hanford Armona and Fox, Fox side of the street, the street light has been gone for well over a year.

Council Member Wynne attended the Ladies Night Out hosted by the Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department. She thanked all the Volunteer Fireman along with the Police Department for what they do to keep everyone safe.

Council Member Siegel contacted Doug Verboon in regards to the walkway by Starbucks that the lighting was covered by the trees. Chief Smith reported the trees have been trimmed. Mr. Verboon not happy with the trimming but will follow up on his own.

6-2 City Council Requests

Mayor Siegel attended the Indian Gaming Committee Benefit with Council Member Wynne and Chief Smith. Grant for the Police Department was denied due to the absence of the letter of support from the Tribe. Mayor Siegel requested the possibility of putting in place our own Mitigation Agreement with the Tribe. This would require research and costs would have to be identified and justified.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:04 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Mary J. Venegas
City Clerk

William M. Siegel, Jr., Mayor